Capsule Summary
SM-822
Rocky Point Farm
St. Clements Shores vicinity
Private

circa 1900

Prior to the construction of the St. Clements Shores subdivision in the late 1920s and early 1930s, much of the property was agricultural and probably contained a scattering of tenant houses and planters' dwellings. Rocky Point Farm recalls this earlier period. Judging from the overall massing and pitch of the roof, the main dwelling at Rocky Point Farm may have been built prior to 1900. Located down a long dirt farm lane that lies on the north side of Lady Baltimore Avenue, the one-and-a-half story, frame dwelling is oriented on a south/north axis and features a rambling front porch. Further architectural investigations should determine the exact date of the building.

Inventory No. SM-822

Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

1. Name of I	Property	(indicate preferred r	name)				
historic	Rocky Point Far	rm					
other							
2. Location							
street and number	22340 Rocky Po	oint Farm Lane			_	_ not for	publication
city, town	St. Clements Sh	ores			<u>x</u>	_ vicinity	
county	St. Mary's						
3. Owner of	Property	(give names and mailing	address	es of all owners	s)		
name	Mary Helen Far	rell			***		
street and number	PO Box 15				telephone	N/a	
city, town	Compton		state	Md	zip code	20627-00	015
4. Location	of Legal D	escription					
		St. Mary's County Courthou	se	tax r	nap and parcel	TM-39, 1	P-12
city, town	Leonardtown			liber	157	folio	193
Contri Deten Deten Recoi	ibuting Resource in mined Eligible for t mined Ineligible for rded by HABS/HAB ric Structure Repor	n National Register District n Local Historic District the National Register/Maryla r the National Register/Mary ER t or Research Report at MH	land Regi				
6. Classifica	ation						
Categorydistrict _xbuilding(s)structuresiteobject	Ownershippublicprivateboth	Current Function agriculturecommerce/tradedefensex_domesticeducationfunerarygovernmenthealth careindustry	red	ndscape creation/culture igion cial nsportation ork in progress known cant/not in use ner:	1 Number of	g Noi	ncontributing buildings sites structures objects Total ting Resources the Inventory

7. Description		Inventory No. SM-822
Condition		
excellent	deteriorated	
good	ruins	
x_ fair	altered	

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Rocky Point Farm is located on the north side of Lady Baltimore Avenue just outside the water side community of St. Clements Shores near Compton, Maryland. The 19.8 acre farm is characterized by open cultivated fields and tree-lined field boundaries. Oriented on a south/north axis, the main house is approached via a long dirt drives that extends to the north of Lady Baltimore Avenue. The property is bounded by residential lots to the east and west, a wooded tract to the north, and Lady Baltimore Avenue to the south.

The circa 1900 main house at Rocky Point Farm is a one-and-a-half story, rectangular plan, frame house with a long gable roof. Due to the distance of the house from the main road, the exterior wall cladding is not distinguishable, but the gable roof is covered with raised-seam metal. A single, interior brick chimney flue protrudes from the roof. Although the overall massing, pitch of the roof, and location suggests a circa 1900 date, the building may date from an earlier period.

The primary elevation is obscured by a full length, screened-in porch.

Other elevations were not investigated.

8. Signific	ance			Inventory No. SM-822
Period	Areas of Significance	Check and	justify below	 .
1600-1699 1700-1799 1800-1899 <u>x</u> 1900-1999 2000-	 x agriculture archeology x architecture art commerce communications community planning conservation 	 economics education engineering entertainment/ recreation ethnic heritage exploration/ settlement 	health/medicine industry invention landscape architecture law literature maritime history military	performing arts philosophy politics/govemment religion science social history transportation other:
Specific dates			Architect/Builder	
Construction d	ates			
Evaluation for:				
	_ National Register		Maryland Register	xnot evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property
Acreage of historical setting
Quadrangle name

19.8 acres
19.8 acres
Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded by residential lots to the east and west, a wooded tract to the north, and Lady Baltimore Avenue to the south. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber 157, Folio 193.

11. Form Prepared by

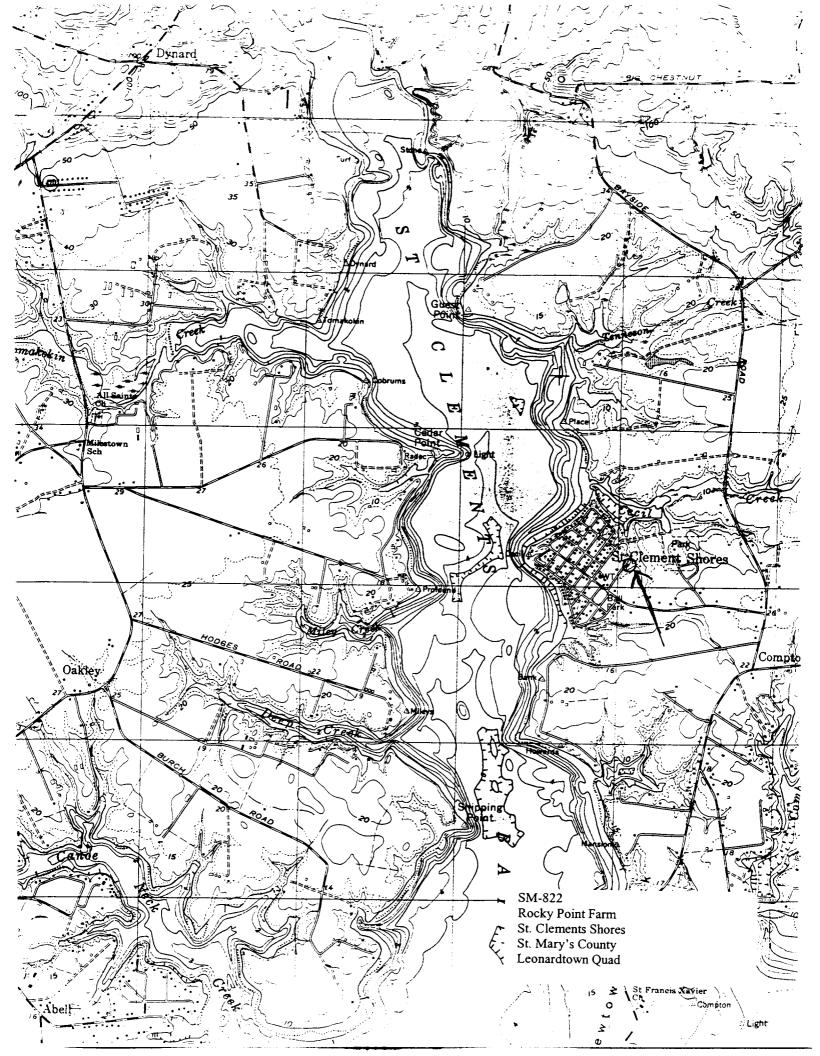
name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
street & number	22740 Washington Street	telephone	301-475-4662
city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

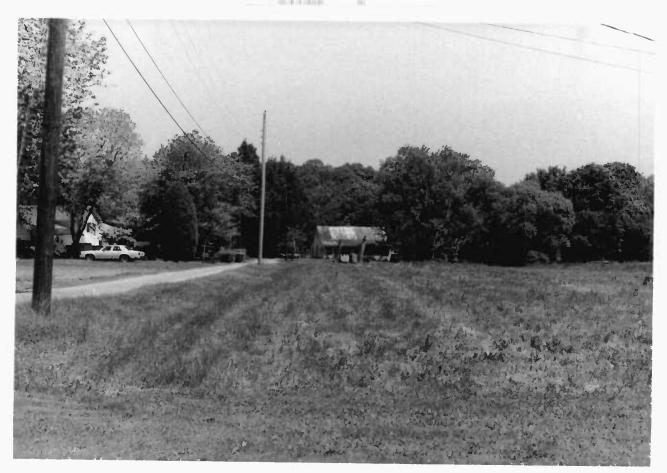
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